

and inserting "Sec. 3. That the Governor of this State is hereby required to transmit copies of this joint resolution to the Post Master General of the United States, and, also, to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress, and that this joint resolution be in force from and after its passage;" adopted.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, a bill to prescribe the mode of adoption was taken up and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Latimer, the Senate adjourned.

TUESDAY, 9 o'clock, A. M., December 11, 1849.

The Senate was called to order by the President. Senators present: Messrs. Cooke, Davis, Gage, Grimes, Kinney, Latimer, McRae, Moffett, Parker, Pease, Phillips, Portis, Robertson, Taylor, Truit, Van Derlip, Ward and Wallace.

Prayer by the Chaplain. The journals of yesterday were read and adopted.

Mr. Pease presented the petition of S. B. Grissom, administrator of the estate of Francis J. Haskins; which was, on motion of Mr. Pease, referred to the committee on Claims and Accounts.

Mr. Phillips presented the memorial of Messrs. Webb and Duval; which was, on motion of Mr. Pease, referred to the Judiciary committee.

Mr. Portis presented the petition of Jas. E. Edmiston; which was read, and, on motion of Mr. Portis, referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Grimes introduced a bill supplementary to an act to incorporate the Austin College, approved November —, 1849; read first time.

Mr. McRae introduced a joint resolution for the relief of the citizens of Jasper county; read first time.

Mr. Portis introduced a bill to reserve to every family in the State certain property therein specified, and to exempt the same from forced sale under execution or otherwise; read first time.

Mr. Wallace offered the following joint resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Legislature will adjourn *sine die*, on the sixtieth day next ensuing the day, on which the two Houses were organized.

On motion of Mr. Parker, laid on the table.

Mr. Kinney introduced a bill for the relief of just and *bona fide* holders of, or claimants to, lands granted by the Government of Spain, or Mexico, or colonized and held, in conformity to the laws of Mexico and the State of Tamaulipas as recognized by the constitution and laws of this Republic and State of Texas, lying and situated in that portion of territory within the limits of Texas west of Nueces River, to prohibit patents from issuing thereon, that said holders or claimants may have time to have registered and filed their muniments and warrants of title, as this act shall direct ; read first time.

Mr. Wallace moved to have fifty copies of the several bills on apportionment and the substitute printed.

Mr. Van Derlip moved a division of the question.

The question was then taken on printing the apportionment bill reported by the joint committee on apportionment ; the yeas and nays being called, stood thus :

Yeas : Messrs. Cooke, Kinney, Phillips, Robertson and Wallace—5.

Nays : Messrs. Davis, Gage, Grimes, Latimer, McRae, Moffett, Parker, Pease, Portis, Taylor, Truit, Van Derlip and Ward—13 ; lost.

The yeas and nays were then called on printing the substitute for the bill reported by the committee, and stood as follows :

Yeas : Messrs. Cooke, Parker, Robertson and Wallace—4.

Nays : Messrs. Davis, Gage, Grimes, Kinney, Latimer, McRae, Moffett, Pease, Phillips, Portis, Taylor, Truit, Van Derlip and Ward—14 ; lost.

The yeas and nays were then called on printing 50 copies of the bill introduced by Mr. Wallace, fixing the Senators at 21 and the Representatives at 52, and stood thus :

Yeas : Messrs. Cooke, Davis, Parker, Robertson and Wallace—5.

Nays : Messrs. Gage, Grimes, Kinney, Latimer, McRae, Moffett, Pease, Phillips, Portis, Taylor, Truit, Van Derlip and Ward—13 ; lost.

The question then recurred on Mr. Wallace's motion to print 50 copies of all the bills and substitute on apportionment, upon which the yeas and nays being called, stood as follows :

Yeas : Messrs. Cooke, Kinney, Parker, Phillips, Robertson and Wallace—6.

Nays : Messrs. Davis, Gage, Grimes, Latimer, McRae, Moffett, Pease, Portis, Taylor, Truit, Van Derlip and Ward—12 ; lost.

So the Senate refused to print.

Mr. Pease, chairman of a Select committee, made the following report :

COMMITTEE ROOM, Dec. 11, 1849.

To the Hon. JOHN A. GREER,

*President of the Senate :*

The Select committee, to which was referred the rules of the Senate, have carefully examined them and made such amendments and additions as they believe to be necessary. They have arranged the subjects treated of under appropriate heads, which will greatly facilitate a reference to them. The joint rules and orders of the two Houses they have, also, arranged in a similar manner. The result of their labor is respectfully submitted and recommended to the Senate for their adoption.

E. M. PEASE,  
B. RUSH WALLACE,  
JESSE GRIMES,  
A. H. PHILLIPS,  
D. C. VAN DERLIP.

Report and rules laid on the table one day for consideration.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, through their Chief Clerk, informing the Senate that Messrs. Sterne, Bee and Bryan had been appointed a committee, on the part of the House, to wait upon his Excellency, the Governor elect, and inform him of his election to the Chief Magistracy of the State and ascertain when it will suit his convenience to be installed into office, and request the appointment of a like committee on the part of the Senate.

Mr. Kinney introduced a joint resolution authorizing the Governor to appoint an agent to collect and arrange the proper documents and present the claims of the State and its citizens for services rendered and expenditures incurred for protection from Indian depredations ; read first time.

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Resolution requesting the Governor to furnish the Senate with all reports of the Treasurer of the State, &c. ; read and adopted.

A bill to authorize and require the Commissioner of the General Land Office to issue a patent to William Shipp of Sabine county for one league of land ; read second time and ordered to be engrossed.

A message was received from the Governor, presenting the following communication :

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, Austin, Dec. 11, 1849.

*To the Honorable the Senate:*

Gentlemen—In compliance with a resolution of your Honorable body of the 3d inst., I herewith transmit a copy of the last communication received from Judge Baird, dated Independence, Missouri, November 6, 1849, with additional correspondence between that officer and the United States military authorities at Santa Fe.

A portion of the correspondence from Judge Baird received since the date of that heretofore submitted to the Senate has been communicated to the House of Representatives to which I beg to refer your Honorable body.

I have the honor to be,

Your Obedient Servant,

GEO. T. WOOD.

On motion of Mr. Parker, the communication and accompanying documents were referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

Mr. Portis, chairman of the committee on Education, to whom was referred a bill to incorporate the Brownsville Lyceum, reported the same back to the Senate and recommended its passage; bill read and passed to the third reading.

A bill to provide for the liquidation of the public debt of the late Republic of Texas; read second time, and, on motion of Mr. Robertson, referred to a Select committee of five.

Messrs. Robertson, Grimes, Gage, Pease and Moffett were appointed said committee.

A bill for the relief of C. C. Taylor; read, and, on motion of Mr. Gage, laid on the table for one day.

A bill to change the names of Melissa J., James, Alexander and Parola Simonds; read third time and passed.

A bill to incorporate the Grand and Subordinate Divisions of the Sons of Temperance; read second time, and, on motion of Mr. Latimer, referred to the Judiciary committee.

Joint resolution providing for the mutual surrender of persons therein mentioned by the Governments of the United States and Mexico; read second time, and, on motion of Mr. Parker, referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

Joint resolution for the relief of John Barton; read second time, and, on motion of Mr. Ward, referred to the committee on Private Land Claims.

A bill to provide for holding an election for the permanent location of the seat of Government of the State; read second

time, and, on motion of Mr. Van Derlip, referred to the committee on Privileges and Elections.

A bill to create the county of McLennan; read second time, and, on motion of Mr. Robertson, referred to the committee on County Boundaries.

Resolution of the House appointing a committee of three and requesting the appointment of a like committee, on part of the Senate, to wait on the Governor elect and inform him of his election, &c.; read.

Mr. Pease offered to amend by adding: "*Be it further resolved*, That a like committee, on the part of the House, be appointed to wait on the Hon. John A. Greer and inform him of his election as Lieutenant Governor of this State to serve for two years from and after the 21st of December, and that said committee ascertain when it will be convenient for the Lieutenant Governor elect to be installed into office;" adopted.

The resolution as amended was adopted.

Messrs. Robertson, Ward and Kinney were appointed a committee, on the part of the Senate, to perform said duty.

Mr. Robertson offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the House of Representatives be respectfully requested by the Secretary of the Senate to transmit to the Senate the original correspondence of S. M. Baird, on our Santa Fe territory, furnished that House by the Governor; adopted.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the Senate adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, 9 o'clock, A. M., Dec. 12th, 1849.

The Senate was called to order by the President. Senators present: Messrs. Cooke, Davis, Gage, Grimes, Hart, Kinney, Latimer, McRae, Moffett, Parker, Pease, Phillips, Portis, Robertson, Taylor, Truit, Van Derlip, Walker, Ward and Wallace; prayer by the Chaplain; journal of the preceding day read and adopted.

Mr. Robertson, chairman of the committee on Private Land Claims, made the following report:

Committee Room, December 12, 1849.

To the Hon. JOHN A. GREER,

*President of the Senate.*

The committee on Private Land Claims to whom was referred a joint resolution for the relief of John Barton, have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report: